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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER.

QUOTE: DEAR MR. MINISTER: THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATION ON MY NOMINATION AS SECRETARY OF STATE, WHICH AMBASSADOR KAUL SO KINDLY TRANSMITTED. I AM HONORED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH YOU AS A COLLEAGUE AND PARTNER IN THE CAUSE OF PEACE. RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES, AND BETWEEN US PERSONALLY, MEAN A GREAT DEAL TO ME. WITH MY APPRECIATION AND VERY BEST WISHES, HENRY A. KISSINGER UNQUOTE.

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2. FOLLOWING FOR EMBASSY INFORMATION ARE TEXTS OF SWARAN SINGHLETTER OF AUGUST 27 ON SECRETARY KISSINGER'S NOMINATION AND SEPTEMBER 25 ON CONFIRMATION:

QUOTE: DEAR DR. KISSINGER: I WAS DELIGHTED TO HEAR THE NEWS OF YOUR NOMINATION AS SECRETARY OF STATE THE USA. YOU BRING TO THIS HIGH OFFICE EMINENT QUALITIES OF

PROFOUND SCHOLARSHIP AND VALUABLE EXPERIENCE IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

INDIA AND THE US HAVE A COMMON STAKE IN A PEACEFUL, STABLE, AND A JUST WORLD ORDER. I GREATLY LOOK FORWARD TO OUR WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS THIS OBJECTIVE AS WELL AS BUILDING FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I RECALL WITH PARTICULAR SATISFACTION THAT DURING THE PAST FEW MONTHS YOU HAVE BEEN TAKING KEEN PERSONAL INTEREST IN PROMOTING BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND IMPROVING RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE FELICITATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR NOMINATION TO THE HIGH OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. END QUOTE

QUOTE: EXCELLENCY: I WAS OUT OF NEW YORK THE LAST TWO DAYS AND RETURNED ONLY IN THE EARLY HOURS THIS MORNING. I HASTEN TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR CONFIRMATION AS SECRETARY OF STATE. I AM CONFIDENT THAT UNDER YOUR GUIDANCE AND LEADERSHIP, WE MAY LOOK FORWARD TO AN ERA OF COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

PLEASE ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. END QUOTE

3. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE TEXT, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION SHOULD EMBASSY WISH TO DO SO IN COORDINATION WITH GOI. KISSINGER

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